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WELFARE SCHEMES FOR BEEDI WORKERS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names and details of schemes being implemented for the welfare of Beedi Workers;

(b) the funds allocated, released and utilised under such schemes during each of the last three years and thereafter, State-wise and Scheme-wise;

(c) whether the Government has any mechanism to ensure that full benefits reach the Beedi Workers;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the remedial measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a): Statement is annexed as Annexure-I.

(b): Statement is annexed as Annexure-II

(c) & (d): Welfare Commissioners of the nine Regions all over the country, are responsible for implementation and execution of the welfare schemes for the beedi workers. The welfare schemes in the field of these Regions are implemented through different dispensaries of Labour Welfare Organization located in the areas where there is concentration of beedi workers. Moreover, the Central Advisory Committee at the centre and State Advisory Committees in the different States have been constituted to advise the Government on such matters arising out of the administration of the Beedi Workers Welfare Fund Act, 1976, including matters relating to the application of the Fund.

(e): Does not arise.